That Brother of Mine.

The is it comes in like a whirlwind, And closes the doors with a slam. nd before he has taken his hat off, Calls out for "some bread and some jam?" ho is it that whistles so loudly, As he works at some tangle of twine hat will send his kite up into cloudland? Why, of course, it's that brother of mine.

ho is it that, when I am weary, Has always a hole in his coat, button to sew on in a hurry, A sail to be made for a boat? ho is it that keeps in my basket His marbles and long fishing-line, ad expects, undisturbed, there to find them? No one else but that brother of mine

ho is it that tiptoes about softly, Whenever I'm sick or in pain, d is every minute forgetting, nd whistles some head-splitting strain? ho is it that when he is trying 'o be just as still as he can, My brother, of course-he's the man.

no is it I'd rather have by me o is it that I shall miss sadly Then his boyhood has come to an end? i when he is far from the old home, nd I long for a glimpse of sunshine, om, then, do you think I shall send for? Vhy, of course, for that brother of mine.

### GRANNY'S TIRED.

noticed the wretched woman as hobbled along the street with a n, frail child supporting her. They h seemed fit objects for charity, l as I turned to look after them I ard the child say:

ean on me, granny. It is quite a g distance yet, and you are so tir-

oor little waif! was my mental lamation. She does not look as if had eaten a square meal for a strike was over. r, and yet she is strong.

watched them until they disapred in the ever restless throng of great city, and then, rousing my-, I hastened on to my office.

or some reason I could not work t afternoon, and after vainly tryto do so for an hour I closed my k and went out for a mouthful of Lighting a cigar I wandered idly ig, scarcely noticing the direction steps were taking me.

addenly I halted in surprise, for, quiet spot just off the busy street ain observed the little waif whose e words were yet echoing in my 1. She was playing quietly about e stone steps on which sat the old nan, her head resting against an pillar, and her eyes closed.

I approached, the little girl ted up, making a cautioning ges-

ease, mister, don't make a noise!

entreated. hat are you doing here, little one? ed as kindly as possible.

i just waiting while granny s a bit. Granny's tired, and she in't go further till she got rested

mething about the appearance of ld woman made me touch her on houlder and peer closely into her n face. Then I started back, utg an exclamation of surprise and

e was dead.

the nauseating dropping in the throat aily. I tried various remedies without until last April, when I saw Ely's Balm advertised in the Boston Budget ared a bottle, and since the first days' ve had no more bleeding, the soreness rely gone .- D. G. Davidson, with the Budget, formerly with Boston Jour-

t the earth is breathing, that all buildings upon its surface are continually moved to and fro, he masts of a ship upon an , is at present facts which have ed but little recognition states ssor John Milne in "Nature." In ountries only are earthquakes of ent frequency to make them y of attention. But there are movements that are being exnced at all times and in all lands, entinents being surfaces with a uration that is always changing. hese movements that are now to died by physicists. In Germany apan a tide-like movement, too to be produced by lunar attrachas been observed, the ground gently tilted every twenty-four (more at night than by day), uildings and chimneys slightly ed like stalks of corn in a steady

. It is suggested that in Japan novement may be due to the ng and shutting of the crumpled forming a range of mountains. ong the other movements of our g earth are the microscismic or r storms, which are defined as at waves like those of an ocean and the bending effect producertain districts by changes of pheric pressure. There are aves from distant earthquakes, are appreciable to the senses ly a few hundred miles, but may extend around the world.

our friends who have taken Hood's rilla what they think of it, and the reil be positive in its favor. Simply what Sarsaparilla does, that tells the st rit. One has been cured of indigeslyspepsia, another finds it indispenr sick headache or biliousness, while eport remarkable cures of scrofula, rheumatism, salt rheum, etc. s Pills are purely vegetable.

THE MASTER OF BALLIOL AND THE WASHERWOMEN.

Jowett's brevity of speech and despatch of business never shone more than on the great occasion of his dealing with the refractory washerwomen of Balloil. These worthy dames struck for higher wage in one department. Twelve collars for a shilling was, I believe, the statutory price. They came to interview the master.

"The washerwomen have come to

see you," said the butler. "Show the ladies up," said the master. They clumped into the room to find him fiddling with the poker at the ashes in the grate. He turned round. "Will you wash twelve collars for a shilling they began to expostulate. He touched the bell: in came the butler. "Show the ladies down."

Presently the butler appeared again. "They seem very sorry, sir,-would | die, and she did refuse him.

like to see you again." "Show them up." The washerwomen found the master intent, as before, on the fire-grate. "Will you wash twelve collars for a shilling?" piped his cheery little voice. A stalwart speaker began to make explanations. He touched the bell. "Show these ladies down," said he; and down they went. Again the butler expressed a hope that he would see them. "Certainly: show them up." They entered the room. "Will you wash twelve collars for a shilling?" I am strong; let me help you all "We will," they cried. "Thank you: good day, good day," said the master; and, touching the bell, he said, "Knight, show these ladies down." And the

> LA GRIPPE.-A physician who has just passed through an attack of this distressing disease thus writes to a friend in New York: "Did you ever have this infernal disease that they call the grippe? If not, don't. I have been through it for the last six weeks, and am ready to give my friends the benefit of my experience. It is certainly the most diabolical malady that ever got out of Pandora's box. If the old girl has anything worse in reserve, I trust she will keep the lid of her Saratoga safely locked, and then kindly sit on it. Sneeze, freeze to death, burn up, have your energy sapped, let all the clouds of heaven lower over your head, get on familiar terms with all the blue devils that equatorial eternity-do all this and keep it up for six weeks, and then you can intelligently listen to a lecture on la grippe. Cerebration becomes altogether of the too conscious sort for literary work."

QUEER PHENOMENA.

I am unable to say who first noticed the peculiar caprices of a stone or other heavy body dropped from the top of a high tower, but it is nevertheless a curious fact that such bodies invariably fall slightly to the east of the perpendicular lines.

Persons of inquiring turn of mind who ask why this is as it is may find an answer in the following:

All falling bodies partake of the earth's eastward motion to a greater or less extent. Therefore during the time occupied by a stone in falling from the top of a high tower or other eminence the earth's rotary motion has carried it an appreciable distance to the east. The initial impetus of the stone has carried it an appreciable distance to the eastward also, therefore it strikes the earth to the east of the perpendicular, varying in losopher. Unquestionably. There are degree according to the height from which it has fallen.

A curious article on this subject may be found in the Leipsic Zeitung of May 9, 1886, page 3.

A country doctor in the north o Ireland, was driving down a narrow lane on the way to visit a patient, when he espied an old woman in the middle of the road picking up some pieces of turf which had evidently fallen from some passing cart. Pulling his horse up to prevent running for rheumatism and neuralgia, at their homes. over her, he said, rather sharply:

"Women and donkeys are always in the way."

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It is no wonder that a workingman who spends twenty-five cents a day for beer finds it difficult to keep his head above water.

I am about scared to death. I hear that the anarchists have sworn to kill me. What shall I do? Get a position in a bath house.

Miss Primlips-When you say your prayers at night, do you pray for all men? Miss Lef over-No, indeed! Just one would be enough.

Old Brown is dead. I'm not surprised. More than forty years ago he told a girl if she refused him he would

I like my eggs biled hard said he, An cider, hard as hard can be, But times and work that's hard b'gosh!

Is what don't suit your Uncle Josh. She-I wouldn't marry you if you were worth \$100,000. He-Under those circumstances, Miss Homelerich, I don't think I would ask you.

"Papa," said Jimmieboy, after he had inspected the new baby's hand, "this boy hasn't anything but little fingers on his hands—is that right?"

Mrs. Cawker (quoting) - Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives. Mr. Cawker - It ought to join your sewing society and find out.

"I say, Charles, foot-ball must have been the foundation of the old Greek games!" "I don't know that. Why?" "Because they call them the Olympian games."

### Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Doctor -- Well, my friend, what seems to be the trouble with you? Grogan - Shure, doctor, there's somethin the trouble wid me jaw, I can't domesticate my food.

I swear by those tall elms in yonder park he commenced, but she interrupted him. Swear not by them she said imploringly. Why not? Because those trees are slippery elms, she said.

What is that big iron thing? asked Laura. Locomotive boiler, said Tom. ever escaped by volcanic exit from Laura looked thoughtful. After a moment's silence she asked: Why do they boil locomotives? To make them

Have you anything to say before we eat you? said the king of the cannibal isles to a Boston Missionary. I have, was the reply. I want to talk to you a while on the advantages of a vegetarian diet.

It is all very well for a minister to preach from the text "Remember Lot's wife, said an overworked, discouraged matron, but I wish he would now give us an encouraging sermon on the wife's lot."

How did your son do at college last year, Mrs. Wilkins? Very well indeed. He did so finely as a freshman that he got an encore. A what? An encore. The faculty have requested him to repeat the year.

The husband - You're not economical. The wife-Well, if you don't call a woman economical who saves her wedding dress for a possible second marriage I'd like to know what you think economy is?

Friend. So you think English will become the universal language? Phialready in it 250,000 words mostly from other languages, and it won't take long to add the rest.

A gentleman was passing an examination in physics. He was asked: What planets were known to the ancients? Well, sir he responded, there were Venus and Jupiter, and (after a pause) I think the earth, but I am not quite certain.

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